

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mario A. VILLENA, et al.

Application No. 10/536,692

: International Application No.: PCT/US04/28217

Filed: May 27, 2005: International Application Filing Date: August 31, 2004

For: COMPUTERIZED AGENT AND SYSTEMS FOR FORMATION AND UPDATE OF

DATABASES

DECLARATION OF PRIOR INVENTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.131

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box Non-Fee Amendment

Sir:

NOW COMES the undersigned and declare that:

1. We, Mario Villena and Jose Villena, are inventors in the present application. We are also managers and technical contributors of HomeXperts, d.b.a, HomeKeys.net, which is related to the instant Application. We have personal knowledge of the work done in accordance with the related projects of HomeKeys.net.

2. The fourteenth (14th) day of March TWO-THOUSAND AND FOUR (2004), which upon information and belief, is the publication date of an article entitled "Here's how to calculate home

value" By Holden Lewis. The article, which was cited by Examiner Naresh Vig of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in an Office Action mailed March 2, 2007 for United States Patent Application No. 10/536,692, was published in <u>The Sunday Patriot – News</u> (Harrisburg, PA) on page 101.

- 3. The fourth (4th) day of March TWO-THOUSAND AND FOUR (2004), which upon information and belief, is the INITIAL publication date of the article of section 2, which is differently entitled "Determining a home's value." This article was initially published on www.bankrate.com/brm/news/real-estate/20040304a1.asp. The following facts show reduction to practice of the presently claimed methods and systems in the United States of America prior to this publication date.
 - 4. The present United States patent application was drafted in the summer of the year 2004.
- 5. Attached is a copy of a page provided by William Kennedy, an employee and software developer of HomeKeys, containing a portion of Standard Query Language (SQL) code developed by Mr. Kennedy and Jose A. Villena, another inventor of record. The copy of the SQL code is attached herewith and made part of this Declaration as an Exhibit of record. The SQL code bears one or more dates which have been removed and are not shown on the Exhibit. Each of the dates was prior to the relevant The Sunday Patriot News and www.bankrate.com publication dates.

- 6. The SQL code was used as part of a software project of HomeKeys during the development of the software. As shown in the Exhibit, the SQL code includes a data structure (TABLE PropertyListings) containing a number of data fields. Among these fields (line 36) is a field labeled "AVMPrice", which was used to hold an Automated Valuation Model (AVM) generated estimate for each of a number of real properties documented by the data structure. Accordingly, the Exhibit demonstrates: (1) the existence of a database that includes a respective AVM value for each of a plurality of properties (2) capable of being queried, as is referenced in the independent claims of the present Application.
- 7. Applicants assert that it is apparent to those skilled in the art that the existence of a database with the various disclosed fields, including the filed labeled "AVMPrice" is sufficient to support the idea of both storing AVM values and retrieving AVM values, as storing and retrieving data is a fundamental purpose of databases.
 - 8. The SQL code identified in the Exhibit was produced in the United States of America.
- 9. I/we are aware of the construction and operation of an apparatus and method practicing the features of the independent claims of the present Application, and am also aware of their existence on a date prior to the relevant <u>The Sunday Patriot News</u> and <u>www.bankrate.com</u> publication dates.

- 10. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true. All statements made herein upon information and belief are believed to be true. I/We understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.
 - 11. Further, declarants sayeth naught.
 - 12. WITNESS my signature below in the indicated date.

29-2007

Date

Mario A. Villena

8-29-2007

Date

Jose A Villena

Exhibits:

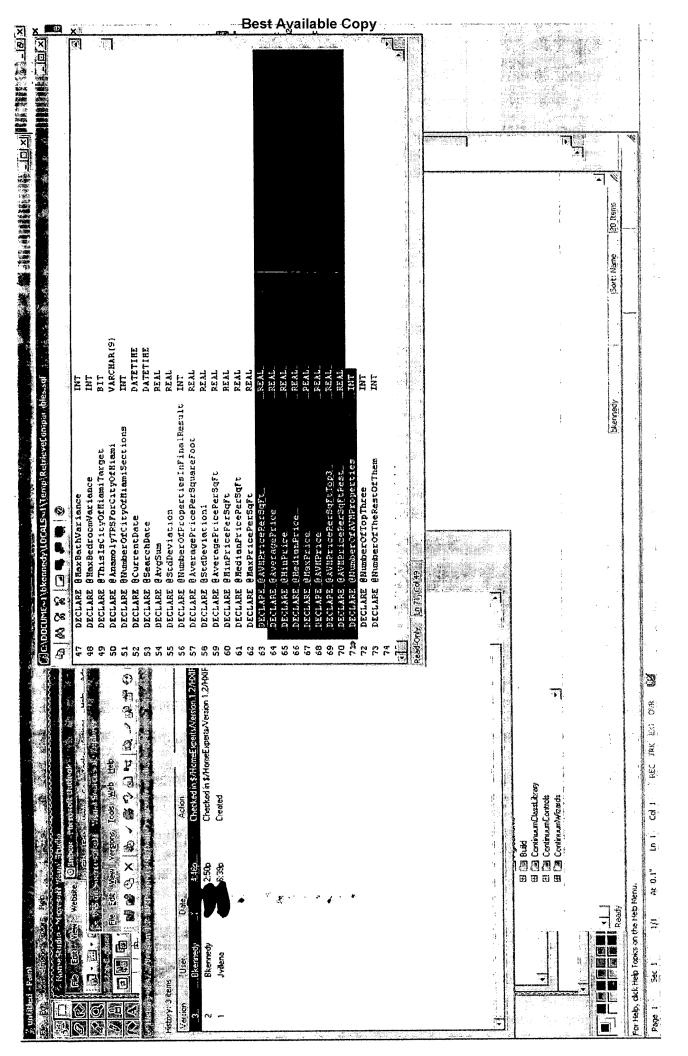
Copy of Standard Query Language (SQL) code developed by Mr. William Kennedy

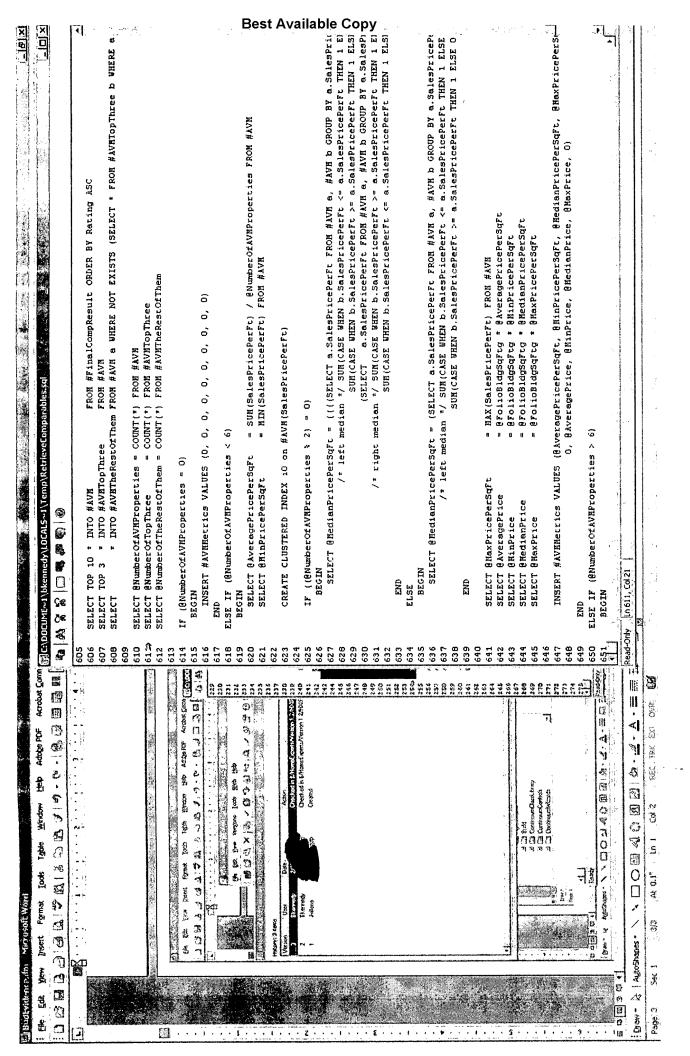
and Mr. Jose A. Villena.

Attachments: Copy of an article entitled "Determining a home's value" by Holden Lewis.

Best Available Copy

Berror List ② Task List 图 Output 项 Pending Checkins 关 Toolbox 5 03 4 IF EXISTS (SELECT * FROM sysobjects WHERE type = 'U' AND name = 'PropertyListings') In 1141 NOT NULL, NOT NULL, NOT NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL, MULL, PRINT 'Dropping Table PropertyListings NOT NULL NULL, NULL, NOT 11 PRINT 'Creace Table PropertyListings' 12 CREATE TABLE PropertyListings TEXT VARCHAR (255) TEXT VARCHAR (255) VARCHAR (255) INT
INT
CHAR(13)
VARCHAR(35) /ARCHAR (255) JARCHAR (255) VARCHAR (255) DROP TABLE PropertyListings VARCHAR (35) VARCHAR (35) VARCHAR (35) VARCHAR (10) VARCHAR (16) VARCHAR (35) LEXT REEE edy/LOCALS~1\ PropertyListings ExtrafeatureOptionId [magelDescription Image2Description Image3Description Image 4Description Image Spescription PropertyAddress1 Proper cyAddress2 Property21pCode Mailing Address1 Mailing Address2 Mailing2ipCode PropertyCity PropertyType SubscriberId Advertisment MailingCity LivingUnits Read-Only In 36, Col 44 **lskingPrice** BldgSqftg **YearBuilt** SoldPrice OwnerName (g)cs\bacame~r\bi WillPrice CountyId FolioKey Bedrooms LotSize BEGIN Floors Image 1 Image 2 Image3 Image 4 S Saths 0 6 8 画の動物 Aplian Drecked in \$MoneExperts/Version 1.2AfXIAp Checked in \$7HomeExperta/Version 1,2/HXIApr Checked in \$7HomeExperts/Version 1,2M04pg. Checked in 1/HomeExperts/Version 1.2/HXIAps. Checked in \$MorreExperts/Version 1,2/HXIAps Checked in \$MoneExperts/Version 1,2/H04App Checked in \$/HomeExperts/Version 1,2/HXIAst Checked in \$/HomeExperta/Version 1,2/HXI4pt Checked in \$7HameExperts/Version 1,2/HKIApp Checked in \$ HomeExpents/Version 1.2/HXIApr Checked in E.HomeExperts/Version 1.2/HXMps Caller . Let (3) X 1 Callery Callery to All Callery of Checked in \$/HomeExperis/Version 1.2/H/15 anishing of kationar committee the said to company a peralbons, before a comment of the lines of Heb Adribe POF The Lamis British with the light way the laming the lam Sign of the Car and the Stocks and the Stocks El (2 ContramCestabray El (2) ContramCestobs El (2) ContramMents inhox Marasadi (sal) 8 12:44p 2519 2403 4573 4573 2609 4138 4138 Pead, e. Edit Vew Websta Car C. Cash . John Volume 8kemedy Brennedy Bkennedy Bkennedy Bkennedy Bkennedy Bkennedy Bkermedy Selection of the select Jvillena Jydena Jydena Jydens 2000 History: 13 Rems 医回 Version 63







Determining a home's value

By Holden Lewis • Bankrate.com

Here's a question that paralyzes homeowners with anxiety: "How much do I ask for my house?"

The flipside of that question -- "How much should I offer?" -- keeps buyers up at night, too.

Figuring out a home's market value takes a lot of science, a little bit of art and a hard head. The science consists of obtaining prices of similar homes in the neighborhood that have been sold recently. The art entails comparing those homes to the one you want to sell or buy -- how they are similar, how they differ, what makes the other homes more or less valuable. The hardheaded part demands putting aside your emotions and arriving at a price that the market will support, regardless of how you feel about the house or how much money has been put into it.

The process is especially vital for people selling their houses without the help of real estate agents. But even if you have hired an agent to sell the house, or if you're buying instead of selling, it's a good idea to estimate your home's value independently, so you can find out if you and the agent see things the same way.

There are two excellent Web sites to start with. Both allow you to look up sale prices of nearby homes. <u>HomeGain's service</u> offers a list of nearby home sales that includes each home's address, price, sale date, number of bedrooms, square footage and approximate year built. Disclosure: Bankrate is a business partner with HomeGain.

A competitor, <u>Home Price Check</u>, offers a shorter list, giving each home's address, month sold and the number of bedrooms and bathrooms. A spot check of four addresses in three states showed that HomeGain offers more data, but Home Price Check's sales data are more recent -- one month newer in Jupiter, Fla., and four years newer in Garden City, N.Y.

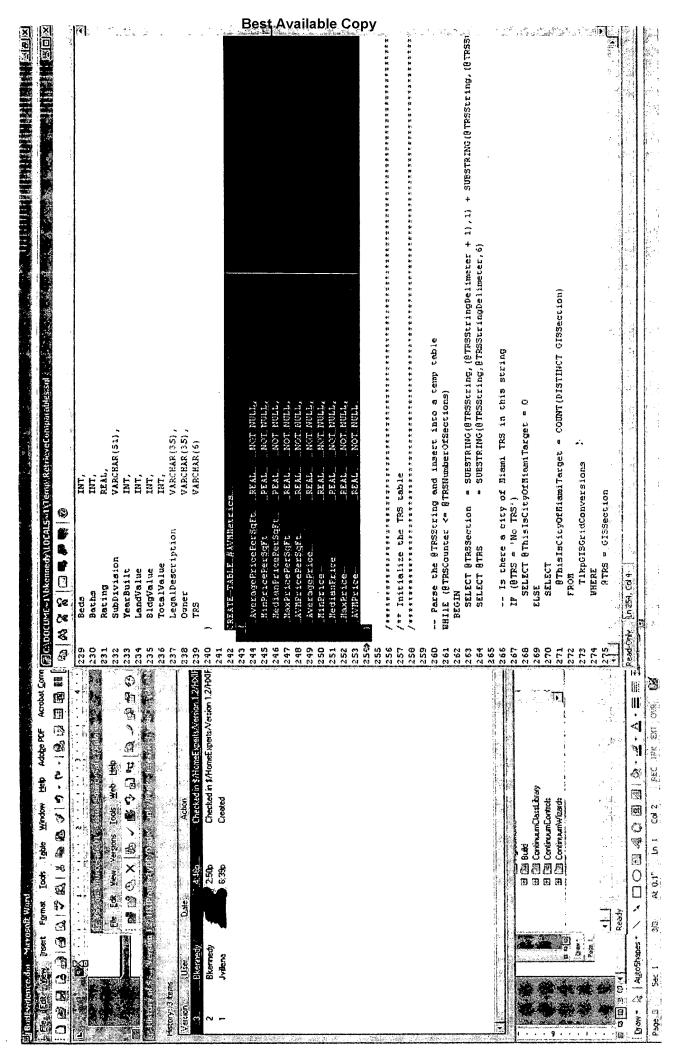
"It's a great way to understand the value of real estate because it's the raw data," says Ben Joslin, general manager of Domania Inc., the unit of Lending Tree that operates Home Price Check.

Real estate agents estimate home values by finding comparable houses (called "comps"), too, but not all buyers and sellers use agents. Colby Sambrotto, chief operating officer of

Attachment

See Also

- Mortgage Matters: A daily Weblog on mortgage rates
- Boost your home's value:
 Remodel!
- Getting an appraisal -- the basics
- Daily mortgage rate update
- Mortgage glossary
- Track prime rate/other leading rate indexes
- More mortgage stories



ForSaleByOwner.com, a service for people who sell their homes without real estate agents, sends his clients to Home Price Check. It beats going to the county recorder's office and looking at real estate records.

Sale price information helps buyers, too, allowing them to come up with an educated idea of how much to offer. Bob Moulton, president of Americana Mortgage Group Inc., a mortgage brokerage in New York, says he frequently advises buyers to go online and check the recent sales prices of nearby homes, especially when the seller isn't using an agent.

(continued on next page)

-- Posted: March 4, 2004

- Looking for more stories like this? We'll send them directly to you!
- Bankrate.com's corrections policy
- @ Read more stories by Holden Lewis

🖲 Top

News & Advice | Compare Rates | Calculators

Mortgage | Home Equity | Auto | Investing | Checking & Savings | Credit Cards | Debt Management | College Finance | Taxes | Persona

About Bankrate | Privacy | Online Media Kit | Partnerships | Investor Relations | Press/Broadcast | Contact Us | Sitemap

NASDAQ: RATE | RSS Feeds | Order Rate Data | Bankrate Canada

* Mortgage rate may include points. See rate tables for details. <u>Click here</u>.

* To see the definition of overnight averages <u>click here</u>.

Bankrate.com ®, Copyright © 2007 Bankrate, Inc., All Rights Reserved, Terms of Use.



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mario A. VILLENA, et al.

Application No. 10/536,692

: International Application No.: PCT/US04/28217

Filed: May 27, 2005: International Application Filing Date: August 31, 2004

For: COMPUTERIZED AGENT AND SYSTEMS FOR FORMATION AND UPDATE OF DATABASES

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box Non-Fee Amendment

Sir:

NOW COMES the undersigned and declare that:

I, William Kennedy, am a manager and technical contributor of HomeXperts, d.b.a, HomeKeys.net, which is related to the instant Application. I have personal knowledge of the work done in accordance with the related projects of HomeKeys.net, and of the subject matter for the present application.

FIRST INSTANCE OF COPYING

Page 1 of 24

2. Homekeys had developed the claimed subject matter, and implemented a particular embodiment for ecommerce, which was initially placed on the Internet at www.HomeKeys.net on March 2005.

- 3. One of the features incorporated into the Homekeys website is the generation of a database of AVM values for several Florida counties, and a map display with real properties embedded within accompanied by AVM values.
- 4. Another feature incorporated into the Homekeys website is that AVM values are updated on a basis such that they generally remain current as market conditions change.
- 5. Internet Protocol (IP) is a well-known communication standard and an essential part of the layered infrastructure that makes the public network known as the Internet work. IP addresses are logical addresses consisting of 32 bits and typically expressed as a series of four numbers separated by dots. The logical aspect of each IP address can be resolved into a physical location and/or a corporate entity, such as an Internet provider.
- 6. Internet traffic may be tracked by virtue of IP addresses. Thus, when a person is reviewing a website, their activity on that website may be recorded for later review. Thus, evidence of direct access to an Internet website by various computing devices may be had by reviewing the IP addresses.

- 7. As part of my duties, I perform periodic reviews of the Internet traffic for HomeKeys.net. One such review (See, Attachment A) showed that the Homekeys.net website had substantial traffic from an IP address (67.134.199.34) starting in May 2005. The great majority of this traffic occurred during the months of September and November 2005 and included over 78 visits by 66 people from this address.
- 8. My investigation into this Internet traffic revealed that it originated from a building in Seattle, Washington, which was unusual since Seattle is in the far north-western part of the continental United States and Homekeys serviced three counties in Southern Florida, i.e., the far most south-eastern portion of the continental United States.
- 9. Upon further investigation, I learned that the physical address in Seattle, WA was occupied by Zillow.com.
- 2006. According to its own claims, the Zillow site (see, Attachment B, page 1) includes a database of housing estimates/values for over 70 million homes in the US. As shown in Attachment F, it is well known that these estimates produced by Zillow are AVM values.
 - 11. As shown in Attachment B, page 2, one of the features incorporated into Zillow's

website is the generation of map displays with real properties embedded within with accompanying AVM values. As shown in Attachment B, page 3, it is apparent that Zillow's AVM values are updated at such a rate so as to be generally current. That is, the AVM values at Zillow weren't merely generated a single time. See, Attachment B, page 3 for an example of a continuously updated AVM value for a given property.

- 2illow first by email, then by telephone. See, Attachment H. During the phone conversation, I told Mr. Meyers that I worked for a small real estate company in Miami, Florida that he might not know, and identified our website. In response, Mr. Meyers stated (paraphrasing) that he and a large number of the staff at Zillow knew about Homekeys.net and had spent time on and reviewed our website prior to the launch of www.Zillow.com. Further, Mr. Meyers had made a number of compliments about www.Homekeys.net.
- Based upon: (1) the direct access by a large number of people in a building that was occupied by Zillow, again unusual because of the large difference in geographic regions and the unlikelihood that so many people in Seattle WA would be interested in Miami, FL (and surrounding areas) properties, (2) the admissions made by a Zillow employee, and (3) the subsequent appearance of a website embodying so many of the functional features of Homekeys, we believe that Zillow's own website was obviously inspired by the Homekeys website.

14. Between the time Zillow accessed the Homekeys website and now, Zillow has changed the IP address so that it no longer may be traced back to them, but instead reflects the identity of the IP provider. This action has the effect of covering Zillow's extensive access to the Homekeys website.

SECOND INSTANCE OF COPYING

Attachment C. Since its inception until about December 2006, the Cyberhomes website had no affiliation with AVM technology. However, on December 6, 2006 (see, Attachment C, page 3) Cyberhomes functionality changed dramatically to include a database of AVM values. According to its own claims, the Cyberhomes site includes a database AVM values for over 100 million homes in the US, and uses a map display with real properties embedded within that were generated using their database of AVM values.

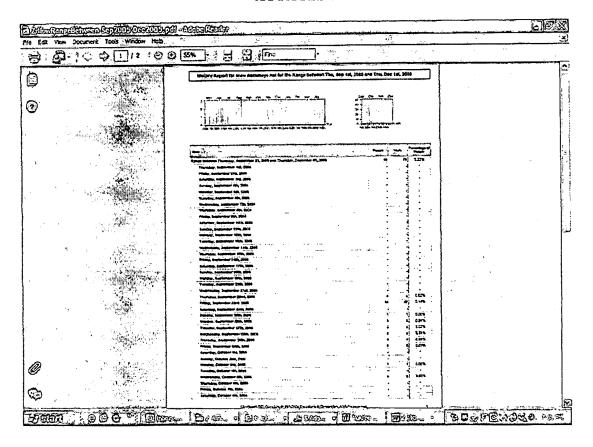
- 16. According to its own claims, the Cyberhome site (see, Attachment E, page 1) includes a database of housing estimates/values for over 100 million homes in the US. As shown in Attachment G, it is well known that these estimates are AVM values.
- 17. As shown in Attachment E, page 2, one of the features incorporated into Cyberhome's website is the generation of map displays with real properties embedded within with accompanying AVM values.
- 18. As shown in Attachment E, page 3, the Cyberhomes website includes heatmaps of changing AVM values, showing that their AVM values are updated at such a rate so as to be generally current.

- 19. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true. All statements made herein upon information and belief are believed to be true. I understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.
 - 20. Further, declarant sayeth naught.
 - 21. WITNESS my signature below in the indicated date.

Day 2007

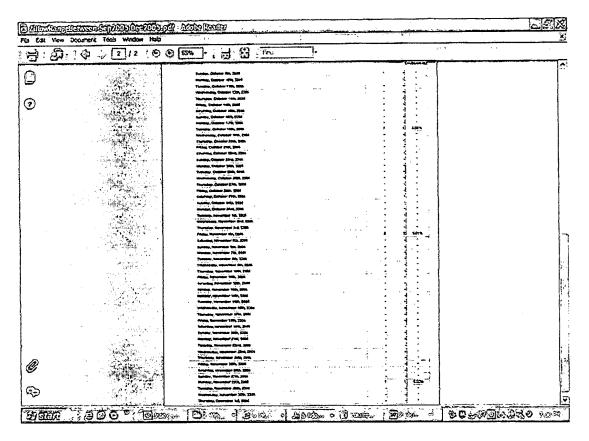
William Kennedy

ATTACHMENT A



Page 1 of 2

ATTACHMENT A



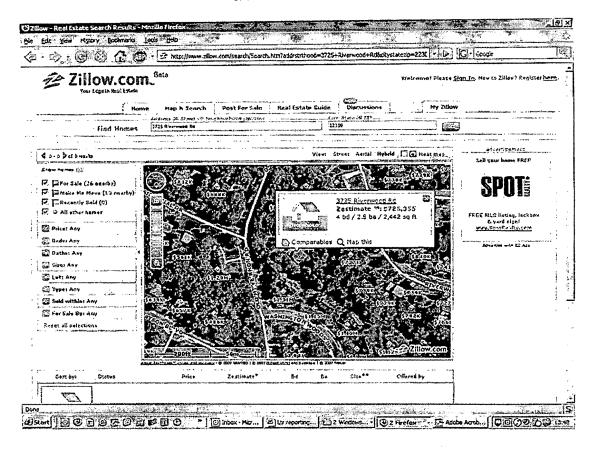
Page 2 of 2

ATTACHMENT B

Zillow.com Beta Your Ege in Real Estate						[jr] Gr coope	
					Welkomat Please <u>Sing to</u> , New to Zillev? Desister <u>her</u>		
No	me Map & Sourch	Post For Salo R	eal Estato Guide	Diauscions		y čílow	
find Homes	Address OR Street	DE Neighberhood (soliene)	23139 LitA' 2	tate ORZIP	**************************************		
Zestimate" values and more on 70,000,000+ homes (free and an your own to an)					Workcouse! (ustomize this page! Please sign in or register hase.) Pres register?		
	Ž.			Zillow	Snapshot	Towns (CARTON)	
N.) É	·	Tep Chies	12 Ser Sele 2.682	Пин не ном» 1,392
Buyers	Sellors	Owners	Profession	als !	Miami	3,473	640
	l homes en Zillow	> Nake Me Move"	• Market llatings	for fram	Tampa	1,975	717
				1	U.S. Tetal	206,454	75,562
Recent for Sale Homes Nomes just posted for sale	4.0	Most Talkad Hames with k		₹ ≯ _	A		***************************************
results for United States		Show results for: Unite	d States				
Fúr Sale i \$695,000 30 Miramesa Dr. Pembroh 4 beds / 4.0 baths / G/74	ce, MA	375 Glenw	estions . (A) 47 Arrses wed Ame, Rochesten NY 8 2 / 4,384 sqft	97%			;
For Sales \$439,880	pa.FL	176 Maple	estions , (3) 8 Answer Ave AUT 2-8, Retfield, 9 54/714 soft				

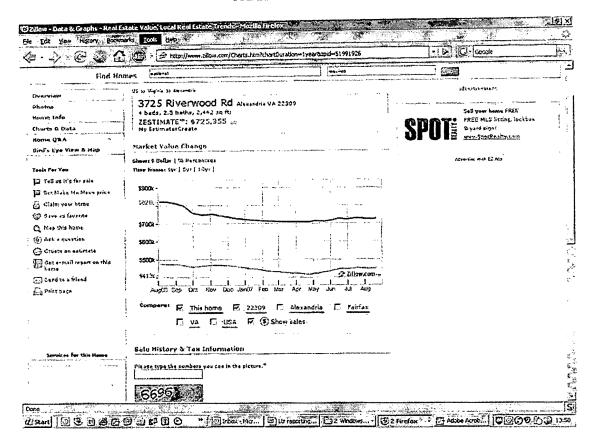
Page 1 of 3

ATTACHMENT B



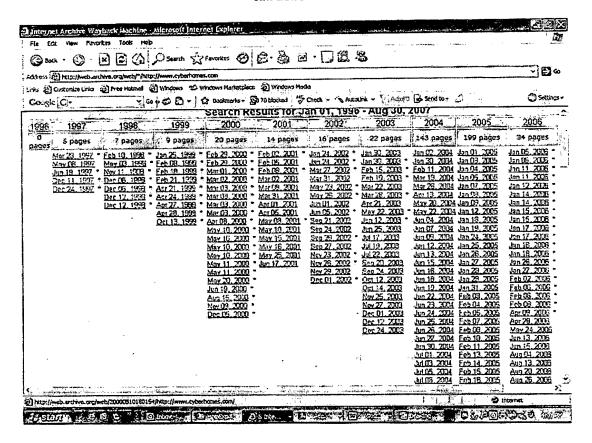
Page 2 of 3

ATTACHMENT B



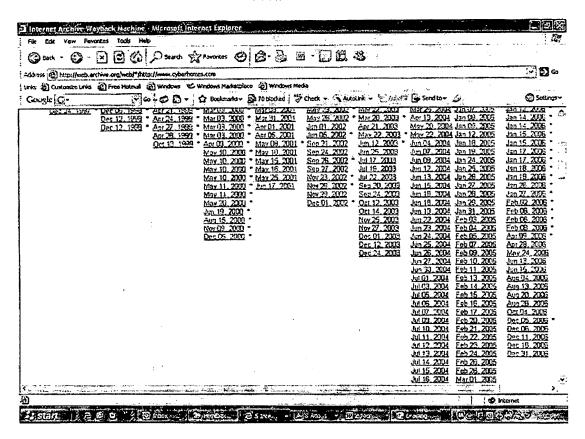
Page 3 of 3

ATTACHMENT C



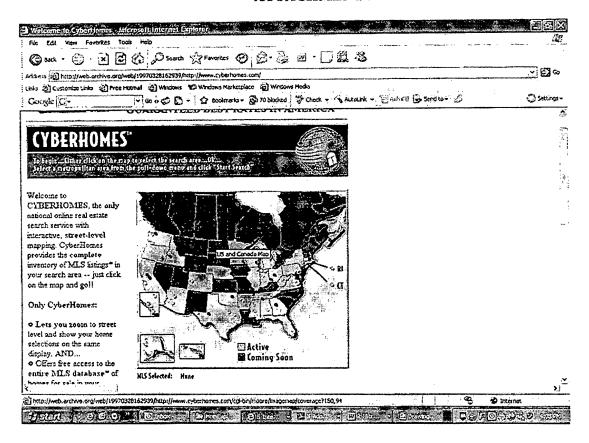
Page 1 of 2

ATTACHMENT C



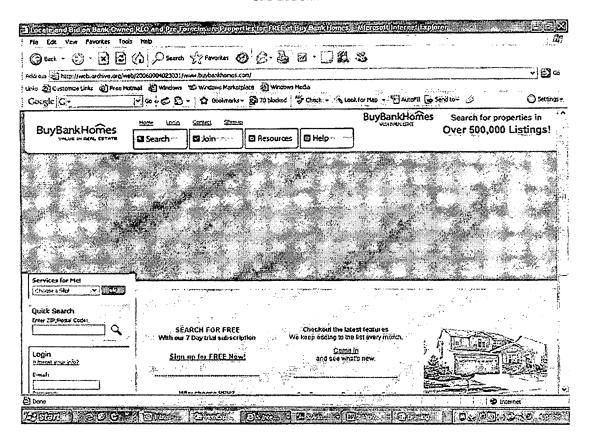
Page 2 of 2

ATTACHMENT D



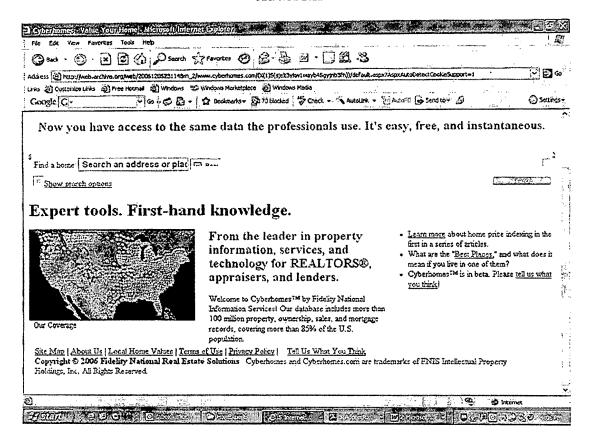
Page 1 of 3

ATTACHMENT D



Page 2 of 3

ATTACHMENT D



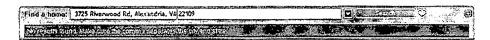
Page 3 of 3

ATTACHMENT E



Search more than 100,000,000 property records

Now you have access to the same data the professionals use. It's easy, free, and instantaneous.



Expert tools. First-hand knowledge.

From the leader in property information, services, and technology for REALTORS®, appraisers, and lenders.

Welcome to Cyberhomes³⁶ by Fidelity National Financial Our database includes more than 100 million property, ownership, sales, and mortgage records, covering more than 85% of the U.S. population. What's new?

- View detailed heat maps of home values, changes in value, and property density.
- Tag, save, and get alerts on homes, neighborhoods, and schools of interest.
- Email links and print home reports to share with friends and family.

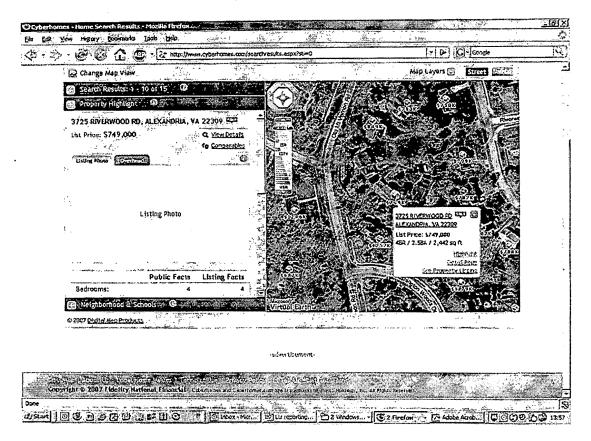


is your neighborhood hot -- or not?



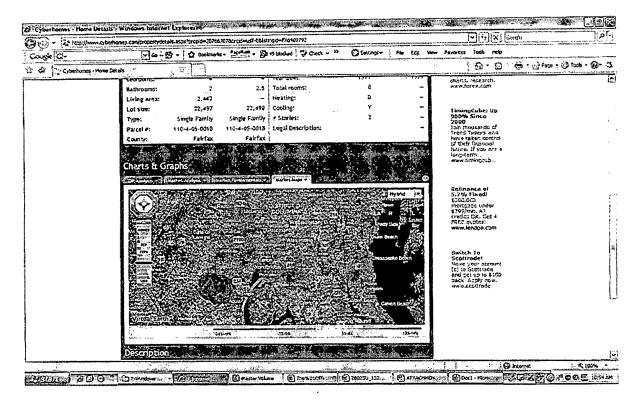
Page 1 of 3

ATTACHMENT E



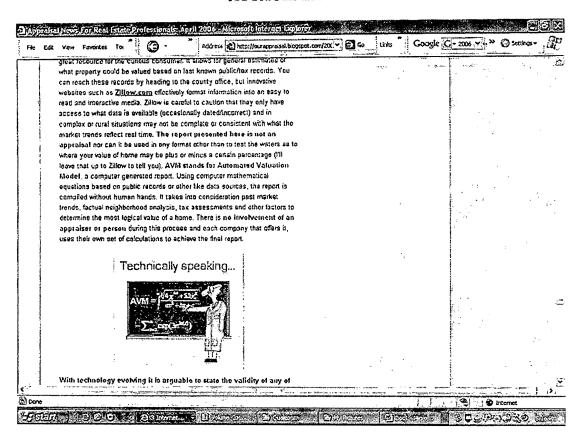
Page 2 of 3

ATTACHMENT E

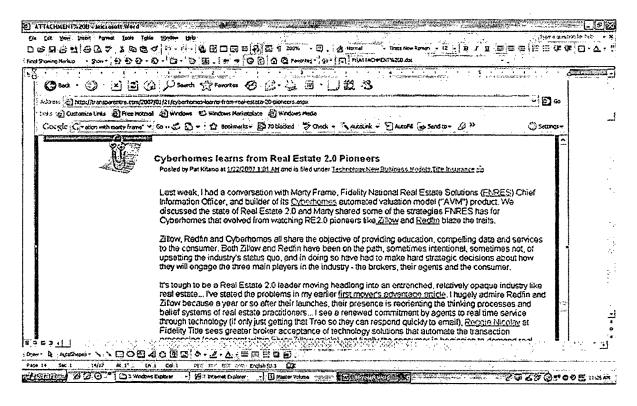


Page 3 of 3

ATTACHMENT F



ATTACHMENT G



ATTACHMENT H

----Original Message----

From: Drew Meyers [mailto:drewm@zillow.com] Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2007 3:15 PM

To: Bill Kennedy

Subject: Zillow.com: Thank you for your inquiry

Dear William Kennedy,

Thank you for your interest in Zillow.com. We will be contacting your

shortly.

Sincerely,

The Team at Zillow.com



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mario A. VILLENA, et al.

Application No. 10/536,692

: International Application No.: PCT/US04/28217

Filed: May 27, 2005

: International Application Filing Date: August 31, 2004

For: COMPUTERIZED AGENT AND SYSTEMS FOR FORMATION AND UPDATE OF

DATABASES

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box Non-Fee Amendment

Sir:

NOW COMES the undersigned and declare that:

- 1. I, William Kennedy, am a manager and technical contributor of HomeXperts, d.b.a, HomeKeys.net, which is related to the instant Application. I have personal knowledge of the work done in accordance with the related projects of HomeKeys.net, and of the subject matter for the present application.
- 2. As provided in an accompanying Declaration, Zillow.com has incorporated much of the claimed subject matter into its website, and includes a database of housing estimates/values for

Page 1 of 14

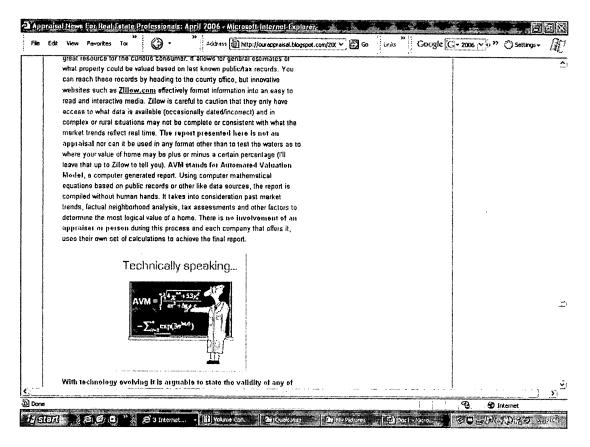
over 70 million homes in the US. As shown in Attachment A, it is well known that these estimates produced by Zillow are AVM values.

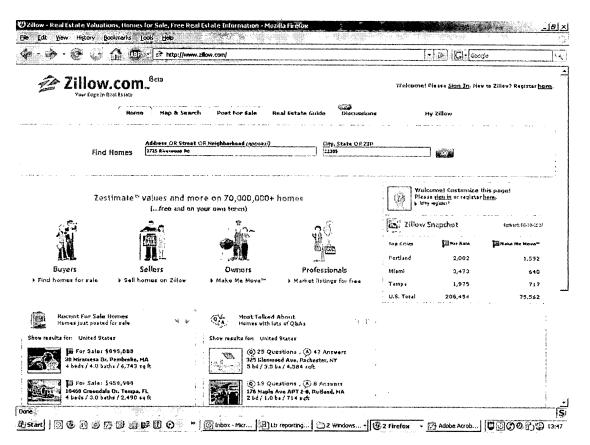
- 3. As shown in Attachment B, page 2, one of the features incorporated into Zillow's website is the generation of map displays with real properties embedded within with accompanying AVM values.
- 4. As shown in Attachment B, page 3, it is apparent that Zillow's AVM values are updated at such a rate so as to be generally current. That is, the AVM values at Zillow weren't merely generated a single time. See, Attachment B, page 3 for an example of a continuously updated AVM value for a given property.
- 5. As shown in Attachment C, prior to Zillow's entrance onto the Internet, Realtor.com was the leading real-estate related site having more than twice the Internet traffic as its nearest competitor. It is well-known that Internet traffic, e.g., the number of "hits" a website receives, is indicative of commercial success as it provides the basis for revenue.
- 6. As shown in Attachment D, once Zillow went online, it quickly surpassed Realtor.com in the short-term, and now runs "neck-and-neck" with Realtor.com for the leading real-estate related site.

- 7. As the only recognized difference between Zillow and other real-estate website (not including Applicants' website, which uses a different commercial embodiment and was founded using a small faction of the capital investment) is Zillow's notorious use of AVMs as described above, the success is due directly to the claimed subject matter. Even if one were to consider other aspects of Zillow's website as contributing to its popularity, none of such aspects are possible without the foundation of the claimed subject matter.
- 8. Further, as shown in Attachment E, Amy Bohutinsky, Director of Communications for Zillow, directly attributes their success to their AVM database, their graphics incorporating AVM technology and the fact that their AVM databases are frequently updated.

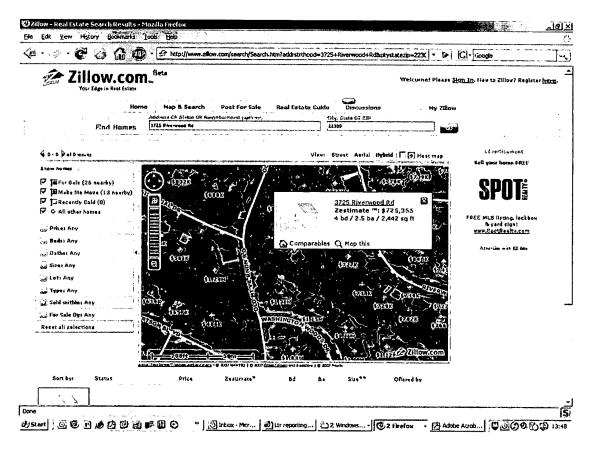
- All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true. All statements made 9. herein upon information and belief are believed to be true. I understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.
 - 10. Further, declarant sayeth naught.
 - 11. WITNESS my signature below in the indicated date.

William Kennedy

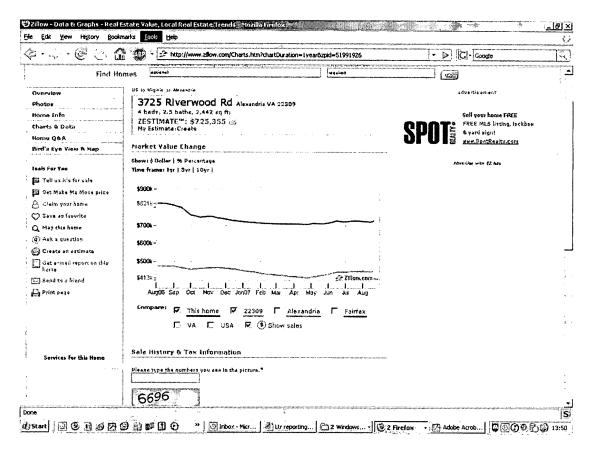




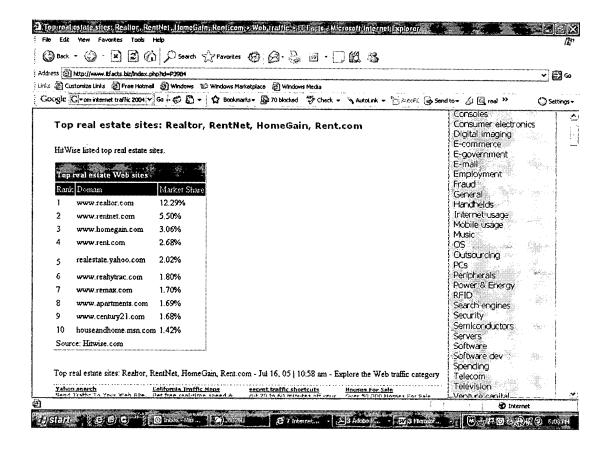
Page 1 of 3

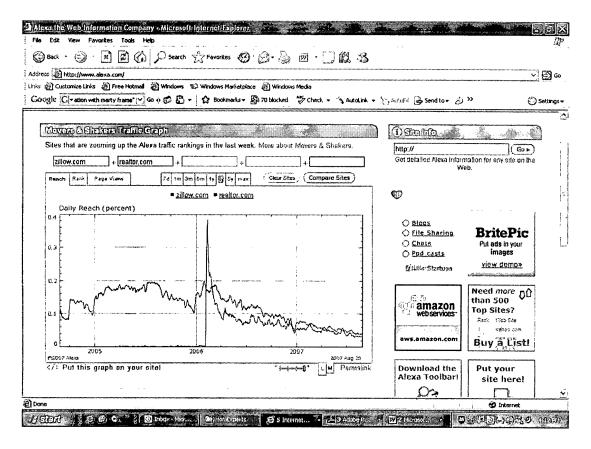


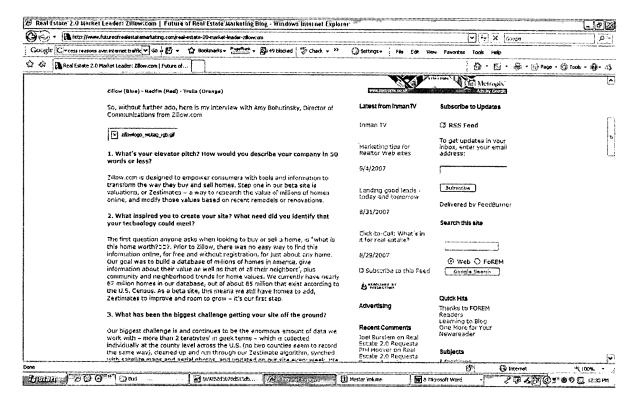
Page 2 of 3



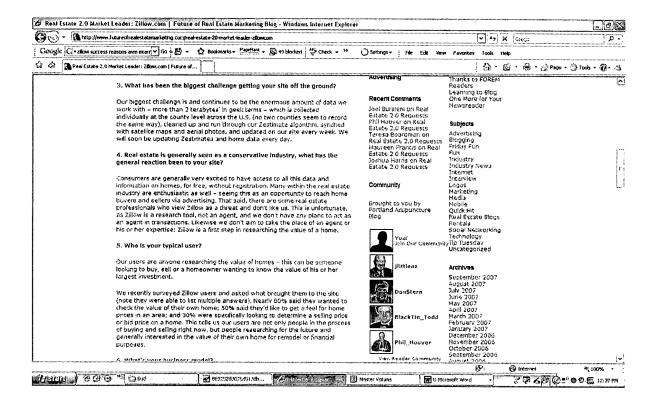
Page 3 of 3



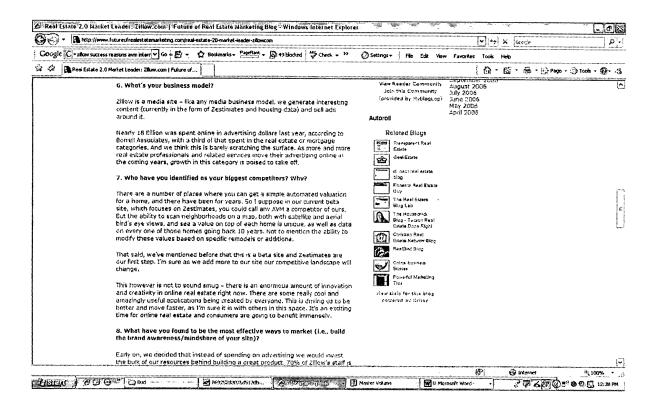




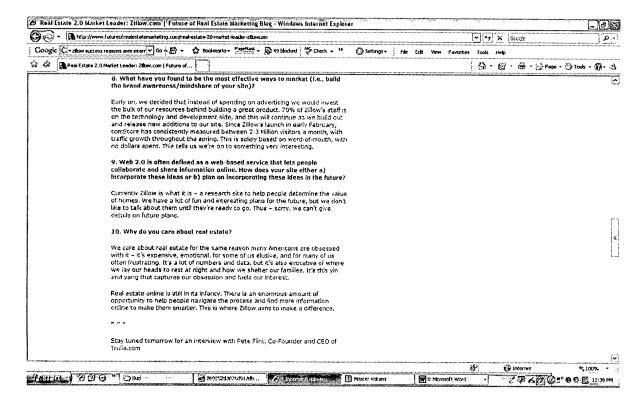
Page 1 of 4



Page 2 of 4



Page 3 of 4



Page 4 of 4



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mario A. VILLENA, et al.

Application No. 10/536,692 : International Application No.: PCT/US04/28217

Filed: May 27, 2005 : International Application Filing Date: August 31, 2004

For: COMPUTERIZED AGENT AND SYSTEMS FOR FORMATION AND UPDATE OF

DATABASES

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box Non-Fee Amendment

Sir:

NOW COMES the undersigned and declare that:

- 1. I, William Kennedy, am a manager and technical contributor of HomeXperts, d.b.a, HomeKeys.net, which is related to the instant Application. I have personal knowledge of the work done in accordance with the related projects of HomeKeys.net, and of the subject matter for the present application.
- 2. Homekeys had developed the claimed subject matter, and implemented a particular embodiment for ecommerce, which was initially placed on the Internet at

Page 1 of 5

www.HomeKeys.net on March 2005.

- 3. One of the services offered by Homekeys on its website that uses AVM technology is known as "ValueSearch", which allows users to perform searches based on the difference between an offer for sale value and an AVM estimate for each house in a particular geographic region that is on the market.
- 4. Inman News is a prominent real-estate related publication that is well recognized in the real-estate community, especially the on-line real-estate community. Inman news presents annual awards to innovators of real-estate related technology.
- 5. As shown in Attachment A, Homekeys was recognized as a technological innovator by Inman News for its ValueSearch technology. See, http://www.inman.com/InmanNews.aspx?ID=46956. As shown in Attachment A (which is dated July 7, 2005), the Inman award was made literally within four months after HomeKeys entered the on-line real-estate market with its ValueSearch technology.
- 6. As shown in Attachment A, Homekeys was recognized as a technological innovator by Inman News for its ValueSearch technology. See,

 http://www.inman.com/InmanNews.aspx?ID=46956. As shown in Attachment A (which is dated July 7, 2005), the Inman award was made literally within four months after HomeKeys

entered the on-line real-estate market with its ValueSearch technology.

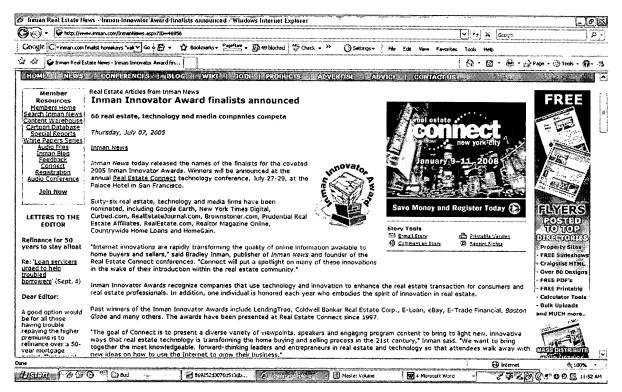
7. Accordingly, it is apparent that the claimed subject matter has been recognized by the industry for its technological innovations.

8. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true. All statements made herein upon information and belief are believed to be true. I understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.

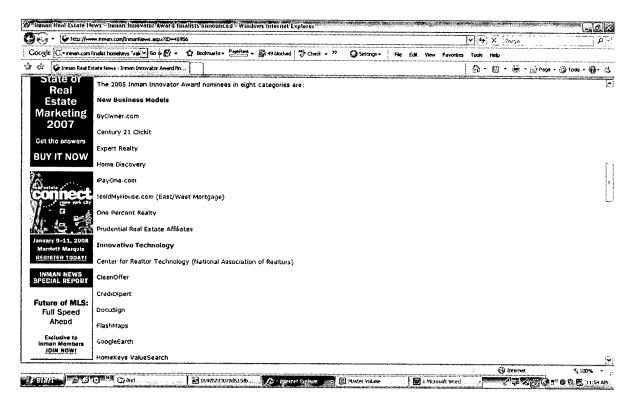
9. Further, declarant sayeth naught.

10. WITNESS my signature below in the indicated date.

William Kenneds



Page 1 of 2



Page 1 of 2